

Notice of Allowability

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Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to amendment filed on November 26, 2007.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-13.
3. ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
 - a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
 1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
 5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
 - (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
 - 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____.
 - (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☐ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date _____
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit
of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

1. Applicant's arguments, see pages 8-10, filed on November 26, 2007, with respect to claims 1-13 have been fully considered and are persuasive. The rejection of claims 1-13 has been withdrawn.

Drawings

2. The drawings were received on November 26, 2007. These drawings are Fig.5 and Fig.6.

Allowable Subject Matter

3. Claims 1-13 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: Claims 1-13 are allowable over the prior art of record because the Examiner found neither prior art cited in its entirety, nor based on the prior art, found any motivation to combine any of the said prior art which teaches:

Claims 1-4: A method for color correction including obtaining a fitting luminance value of each gray level in interval from a fitting function of a gamma parameter for each interval of each color light of the light source, and obtaining a lookup table consisted of gray levels and their corresponding fitting luminance values; normalizing original gray data of an image to obtain a gamma curve consisted of gray levels and luminance levels; obtaining a modified gray signals by an iteration method.

Claims 5-11: A method for color correction including executing gray levels and luminance values of each interval by using logarithmic and divisional operations to obtain a gamma parameter and a fitting function of the gamma parameter which can fit all selected data of the interval; obtaining from the fitting function of each interval of each color light, a fitting luminance value of each gray level in interval thereby the display device is being able to express the gray distribution state according to the modified gray levels and luminance values.

Claims 12-13: A method for color correction including obtaining a modified gray signals by an iteration method including comparing the transitional luminance value Y_n with the target luminance value Y_t , if the difference between them is smaller than a tolerable error, then the Y_t and X_t is substituted by the Y_n and X_n , respectively, if the difference between them being larger than a tolerable error, then repeats the above steps; modified the gray signals being transmitted out and then the display device is able to express the gray distribution state according to the modified gray signals.

4. Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

5. The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

a. Holmes (US Patent No. 6,686,953) discloses a novel process of visual calibration of a computer display or the like involving adjusting the appearance and relative appearance of targets.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Madeleine AV Nguyen whose telephone number is 571 272-7466. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday 9:00am-5:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Edward L. Coles can be reached on 571 272-7402. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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